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ARKANSAS CHICK PLACEMENTS UP 7 PERCENT FROM LAST YEAR

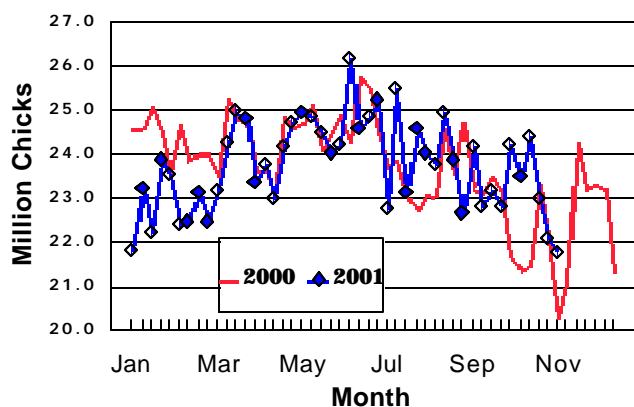
Broiler-type **chicks placed** for meat production in Arkansas was 21.8 million during the week ending November 21, 2001, according to the Arkansas Agricultural Statistics Service. Placements were up 7 percent from the comparable week in 2000, but 2 percent below the previous week, and included 3.2 million chicks shipped in from other states. Cumulative placements from December 31, 2000 through November 17, 2001 were 1.09 billion, down slightly from the same period a year earlier.

The broiler-type **chicks hatched** for the week was 21.9 million, up 4 percent from the corresponding week a year earlier, but 8 percent below the previous week. Of the total hatch, 2.9 million chicks were shipped out of the state. Average hatchability for chicks hatched was 82.8 percent.

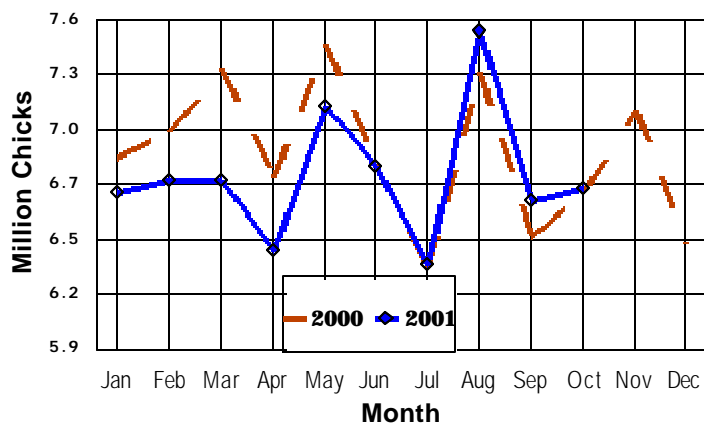
Arkansas hatcheries **set** 30.6 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending November 17, 2001, up 5 percent from the same period last year and 1 percent above the previous week.

Leading breeders in the **UNITED STATES** placed 6.7 million **broiler-type pullet chicks** for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during October 2001, up slightly from October 2000.

**ARKANSAS BROILER CHICK PLACEMENTS
BY WEEK, 2000 - 2001**



**U.S. BROILER-TYPE PULLET CHICKS PLACED
FOR DOMESTIC HATCHERY SUPPLY FLOCKS**



NET PLACEMENTS IN ARKANSAS

Week Ending	Year		% Change
	2000	2001	
	1,000		
Oct. 13	21,677	24,248	112
Oct. 20	21,373	23,536	110
Oct. 27	21,453	24,413	114
Nov. 3	23,339	23,027	99
Nov. 10	22,178	22,127	100
Nov. 17	20,293	21,795	107

U.S. PULLET CHICKS PLACED

Month	Year		% Change
	2000	2001	
	1,000		
May	7,435	7,117	96
Jun.	6,829	6,822	100
Ju1.	6,310	6,326	100
Aug.	7,288	7,494	103
Sep.	6,469	6,647	103
Oct.	6,694	6,704	100

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BROILER EGGS SET AND CHICKS PLACED IN 15 MAJOR STATES BY WEEKS, 2001

EGGS SET (in Thousands)						CHICKS PLACED (in Thousands)						
STATE	Week Ending				1/ %		Week Ending				1/ %	
	27-Oct	03-Nov	10-Nov	17-Nov			13-Oct	20-Oct	27-Oct	03-Nov	10-Nov	17-Nov
Alabama	25,580 *	27,778	27,872	27,952	101		21,081	21,974	22,430	20,984	20,097	18,870
ARKANSAS	26,510	28,874	30,372	30,589	105		24,248	23,536	24,413	23,027	22,127	21,795
Delaware	3,408	3,671	3,609	3,443	85		4,459	4,946	4,527	4,391	4,518	5,570
Florida	2,311	2,350	2,290	2,254	92		2,065	2,204	2,047	2,309	2,096	2,245
Georgia	28,590 *	29,656	31,184	30,866	103		24,074	24,887	25,882	25,145	23,016 *	22,739
Maryland	8,295	8,755	8,992	8,176	100		5,256	5,597	5,306	5,068	5,584	4,262
Mississippi	16,345 *	17,574	17,023 *	18,290	104		15,446	15,120	14,801	14,345	13,333 *	13,886
N. Carolina	17,401 *	17,384	18,053	17,870	97		14,955	14,468	13,535	13,410	12,959	13,361
Pennsylvania	3,396	3,233	3,766 *	3,810	108		2,727	2,740	2,752	2,641	2,608 *	2,695
S. Carolina	4,109 *	4,726	4,848	4,689	99		3,760	3,635	4,464	3,774	4,000	3,266
Texas	12,181	13,623	14,424	14,168	98		10,965	11,619	11,838	11,282	10,136	9,523
Virginia	5,416 *	6,052	6,669	6,611	106		5,057	5,121	5,280	5,785	4,897	4,838
CA TN & W VA	10,808	10,554	11,392 *	10,697	95		9,433	9,113	9,118	8,821	9,241 *	9,086
Total 2001	164,350 *	174,230	180,494 *	179,415			143,526	144,960	146,393	140,982	134,612 *	132,136
Total 2000	159,858	167,730	177,546	177,548			134,917	140,691	139,655	136,698	130,622	128,656
% PREV. YEAR	103	104	102	101			106	103	105	103	103	103
APPROXIMATE MARKETING DATE 2001.....							01-Dec	08-Dec	15-Dec	22-Dec	29-Dec	05-Jan

* Revised . 1/ Current week as percent of the same week last year.

*Kentucky	4,742 *	5,602	5,048 *	4,765	--		4,594	4,171	4,435	3,818	3,743 *	3,694
*Oklahoma	5,553	5,729	6,468	6,435	--		4,850	4,531	4,769	4,546	4,819	4,074
*LA & MO	9,066	9,166	9,410	9,577	--		7,788	8,313	8,645	9,424	9,040	8,570
19 StateTotal	183,711 *	194,727	201,420 *	200,192			160,758	161,975	164,242	158,770	152,214 *	148,474

* Beginning May 16, 2001 four additional States are being published for the first time in the weekly broiler program.

EGGS SET IN 15 MAJOR BROILER PRODUCING STATES UP 2 PERCENT

Commercial hatcheries in the 15-state weekly program set 179 million eggs during the week ending November 17, 2001. This was up 1 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatch ability for chicks hatched during the week was 82 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

BROILER CHICKS PLACED UP 3 PERCENT

Broiler growers in the 15-state weekly program placed 132 million chicks for meat production during the week ending November 17, 2001. Placements were up 3 percent from the comparable week in 2000. Cumulative placements from December 31, 2000 through November 17, 2001 were 6.72 billion, up 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.

NOTE: Beginning January 2, 2002, the Broiler Hatchery report will ONLY be available under "Publications" on the Arkansas Agricultural Statistics Service Home-Page at <http://www.nass.usda.gov/ar/> . Please call 1-800-327-2970 if you do not have access to internet service and would like to continue receiving copies of the report by mail.

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